## BUDGET



## WHY PREPARE YOUR MONTHLY BUDGET?

Budgeting allows you to establish certain projections, programs or plans that will allow you to efficiently manage your money. Anticipate your income and expenses. Remember to include the amount you will allocate to savings as part of your expenses.

Preparing and keeping a budget helps you:

- Reduce the anxiety caused by not being able to meet your payments
- Control your money (or control your expenses)
- Maximize resources at every stage of your life
- Define your lifestyle based on how much it costs and make adjustments so you are always able to save


## How to use this budget sheet

In order to develop a monthly budget, you need to know how much you earn. Be sure to include all sources of family income, such as: wages, interest, investments, retirement accounts, pensions and rents, among others.
(1) Place the information you gathered in the designated sections for income, debt, and expenses.Review the totals for each section.
(3) Total income minus total debt and expenses is the result of your monthly finances.

STAGE 1
YOUNGSTERS up to 25 years old


STAGE 2
YOUNG ADULTS
26 to 45 years old


STAGE 3
ADULTS 46 to 65 years old

STAGE 4
SENIORS 66 or older

Savings percentage from total income

| Your Debt |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Debt（fixed obligations） | Monthly amount |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { 흘 } \\ & \text { 亳 }\end{aligned}\right.$ |
| Primary residence（mortgage or rent） | \＄ |  |  |
| Second home or property | \＄ |  |  |
| Auto 1 loan or lease | \＄ |  |  |
| Auto 2 loan or lease | \＄ |  |  |
| Credit card 1 | \＄ |  |  |
| Credit card 2 | \＄ |  |  |
| Other credit cards | \＄ |  |  |
| Personal loans | \＄ |  |  |
| Credit Union loans | \＄ |  |  |
| Line of credit or reserve | \＄ |  |  |
| Layaway，furniture，others | \＄ |  |  |
| Child support，alimony | \＄ |  | $\square$ |
| Other | \＄ |  |  |
| Debt Total | \＄0 |  |  |


| Your Expenses |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Monthly |  | 하으․ |
| Home | amount |  |  |
| Water，electricity，gas | \＄ |  |  |
| Phone，mobile phone | \＄ | 而 |  |
| Internet，data | \＄ | － |  |
| Property insurance | \＄ | － |  |
| Property taxes（CRIM） | \＄ | － |  |
| Income tax（salary／wages） | \＄ | － |  |
| Property maintenance | \＄ |  |  |
| Maintenance fees | \＄ |  |  |
| Household Expenses Total | \＄ 0 |  |  |
| Transportation |  |  |  |
| Gasoline | \＄ |  |  |
| Auto insurance and registration sticker | \＄ | － |  |
| Maintenance，washing，repairs | \＄ |  |  |
| Parking，tolls | \＄ |  |  |
| Taxi，Uber，bus，train，others | \＄ | － |  |
| Transportation Total | \＄ 0 |  |  |


| Savings | Monthly amount |  | 或 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Savings account | \＄ |  |  |
| Investments，401（k），IRAs | \＄ |  |  |
| Emergency fund | \＄ |  |  |
| Savings Total | \＄ 0 |  |  |
| Health |  |  |  |
| Medical and dental insurance | \＄ |  |  |
| Appointments，pharmacy，deductibles | \＄ |  |  |
| Gym | \＄ |  |  |
| Physical therapy and treatments | \＄ |  |  |
| Health Total | \＄ 0 |  |  |
| Food |  |  |  |
| Grocery shopping | \＄ |  |  |
| Eating out（lunch，dinner，coffee） | \＄ |  |  |
| Food Total | \＄ 0 |  |  |
| Family，Children |  |  |  |
| Tuition，school | \＄ |  |  |
| Childcare，tutoring，extra activities | \＄ |  |  |
| Materials，books | \＄ |  |  |
| Allowance，snacks | \＄ |  |  |
| Assistance，parental \＆elderly care | \＄ |  |  |
| Clothing purchases，laundry service | \＄ |  |  |
| Family Total | \＄ 0 |  |  |
| Protection，and Insurance |  |  |  |
| Life insurance | \＄ |  |  |
| Disability insurance | \＄ |  |  |
| Cancer insurance | \＄ |  |  |
| Protection，and Insurance Total | \＄0 |  |  |
| Entertainment and Miscellaneous |  |  |  |
| Meals，restaurants | \＄ |  |  |
| Cable TV，Netflix，Amazon，others | \＄ |  |  |
| Movie theaters，rentals，streaming | \＄ |  |  |
| Vacation，travel | \＄ |  |  |
| Gifts | \＄ | $\square$ |  |
| Donations，church，community | \＄ |  |  |
| Membership dues，clubs | \＄ |  |  |
| Hobbies | \＄ |  |  |
| Entertainment and Misc．Total | \＄ 0 |  |  |

## Your Income

Record all the money you receive．

|  | Monthly amount |
| :--- | :--- |
| Salary 1 | $\$$ |
| Salary 2 （your partner or 2nd job） | $\$$ |
| Social Security | $\$$ |
| Veteran | $\$$ |
| Pensions or benefits | $\$$ |
| Bonds | $\$$ |
| Allowance or cash gifts | $\$$ |
| Investments or rent，others | $\$$ |
| Refunds，prizes，lottery | $\$$ |
| Others | $\$$ |

## Calculate your monthly budget

Some expenses occur once or several times a year but not monthly．Divide the annual totals for those expenses by 12 and the result is the monthly amount you must include for those expenses．


If you have money left over，you can add that amount to the already budgeted savings．

If the result is zero，at least you already have savings included among your expenses．


